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## POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

The financial stagnation in Europe is said to be fully equal to that prevailing here, and the prospect of a dull summer just so strong.

Three new state institutions have been created by the legislature, namely, the soldiers' home, the mining school and a branch of state prison, the latter two being located on Lake Superior.

Massachusetts is now for the first time about to levy a state tax for the support of public schools, instead of leaving it as hitherto, for each town to maintain them.

Meade, the postmaster at Hazelhurst, Mississippi, who endorsed the murder of Print Matthews, still sticks and refuses to comply with the request to resign. Now, what is Mr. Vinton going to do about it? — *Blade*

An Arkansas editor has been called to task for writing about "the funeral of the future," on the ground that the future isn't dead yet. But he retorted by saying that he referred to the future of the Democratic party.

The Secretary of the Treasury says that the national currency can be improved in appearance. There are hundreds of persons out of work who would be pleased with its more frequent appearance. We would take it as it is.

So far this year only 451 miles of new railroad have been constructed, of which 45 per cent. lie in two southern states—Texas and Florida. The construction of 1853 is about one-sixth of that of 1852 in the corresponding period.

The pharmacy law passed by the last legislature, provides for a board of examiners who shall pass upon the competency of druggists who compound physicians' prescriptions, and also regulate the business in the interest of public safety.

The Legislature of North Carolina has passed an act by which pensions are to be paid by the state to ex-Confederate soldiers, widows and orphans. This will not be a very pleasant arrangement for the Union people living there, to be compelled to pay taxes to pensions to men who tried to destroy the government.

Within the past few days the Hessian fly has appeared in Kansas and threatens still further to reduce the yield, already reduced by winter killing to two-thirds of an average crop. Farmers who have a prospect for any wheat at all should know that every surprise bushel which they may have will command a good price and ready sale.

The New York State Zeitung, a leading German paper in the east, and the Chicago State Zeitung, an inferior German paper in the west, and both of them strong Cleveland papers during the presidential campaign, have both come out strongly in opposition to the administration. They denounce Mr. Cleveland for the appointments he has made and for some appointments he has not made. — *Bay City Tribune*.

The most accurate list yet published of casualties in the Union army during the war of the rebellion, is undoubtedly that which has just been compiled by Adjt. Gen. Drury. The aggregate number of deaths is shown to have been 359,406; of these 29,498 occurred among Union soldiers held as prisoners of war. The total number of troops reported as furnished by the various states under the various calls is 2,772,408. Some of the returns were duplicated, and it is estimated that the actual number was about 2,800,000.

Residents of Ball township are having a little excitement over prosecution of an old and respectable farmer named A. F. Crouse, at the hands of J. H. Hartman, who had Crouse arrested and taken to Grayling where justice triumphed and Mr. Crouse was honorably acquitted on every charge brought against him. — *Roscommon News*. From what we learned from a party who is conversant with the facts in the case, Mr. H. had received provocation sufficient to account for his action, but took the wrong course to get redress.

While no one can be too honest, honorable, faithful or kind, on any day of the week, it is a safe and wise thing to have one day in seven set apart as a special reminder. The man or woman will, as a rule, soon die, or live a lingering death, who does not rest from secular labor as often as one day in seven; and experience has shown that happiness, health, prosperity and righteousness do largely depend on the maintenance of the Sabbath. But this means a real Sabbath, and not a day of sports, labor or selfish sleep. It means a day of change; a day of sweet and restful meditation; a day of trusting for one's self, and of services of God for others. — *Examiner*.

Mr. Dickson's civil rights law passed by the legislature, gives general satisfaction to the colored people of the state. It provides for a fine of \$5 to \$50 in cases of keepers of hotels, restaurants, theaters, steamboats, etc., who refuse equal accommodations to all citizens of the state. No suit for civil damages, however, can be commenced under the law.

The old soldiers of this state, have as a legacy from this legislature, the soldier's home, the establishment of which is made certain by Mr. Northwood's efforts. By Mr. Youl's bill all honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines are exempted from the poll tax. Mr. Dickson was successful in his bill which authorizes the burial at expense of the county of all honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who die without sufficient means to defray their funeral expenses. — *Det. Journal*.

It is said that the President recently refused to grant an appointment as Revenue Collector to his nephew in Cleveland, O. He now declines to make his brother-in-law, Mr. Bacon, of Toledo, Superintendent of one of the public buildings in that city. Visitors named Cleveland generally meet with a cool reception at the White House when office is mentioned, and it is now understood that the worst recommendation a man can have for office is to be a namesake or a relative of Mr. Cleveland. He knows them.

Secretary Whitney is making himself ridiculous in his frantic objections to the trials of the "Dolphine." He started out with the assumption that the vessel was not seaworthy and her construction a fraud. He is now evidently solely interested in maintaining his pride of opinion, and his opinion is a political one rather than naval. He assumed we had no navy and has succeeded in proving that we have no secretary of the navy. The "Dolphine" so far has met all the requirements of the law and in the last trial surpassed in speed and action the specifications of the contract by more than one hundred per cent. But now the admiralty of the navy requires that she shall be tried in a storm, which the "Dolphine" is ready to undertake as soon as the secretary furnishes the storm. The storm will come in 1853 if not sooner. — *Bay City Tribune*.

The "Oscara Herald" says: "Never speak adversely of your town or country to strangers. The opinions that the inhabitants of a country express, when speaking of their neighborhood, to strangers, is a thing which strengthens base their opinions of the place.... Be always ready to do what little you can to the fair fame of your home, always remembering: 'There's no place like home.' Loyalty to your own interests demands that you be always ready to speak of its good qualities when occasion offers, and always ready to point out the same to strangers who visit you.... The man who casts reflections on his town or country, produces an impression detrimental to his own and his neighbor's interests.... If this is the correct doctrine, and we suppose it is, it is applicable to persons. If not more so, and 'ye editor' would do well to take a dose of his own medicine, and let up on his neighbor of the *Independent*.

No other business is on a surer basis than dairying. The people must and will have the products of the dairy, and pure and the actions of the legislators of many of the states show that the law-makers are going to protect the honest manufacturer and the innocent consumer. Besides this, dairy products enter into continuous and universal consumption, and no doubt always will; and consequently, will always be manufactured. It is also certain that if the people want pure dairy products, the manufacturers of them must have a living profit, or they cannot afford to supply their wants. Now the dairymen has no room for being discouraged, his industry is receiving the attention it justly deserves by the legislature of almost every state. This movement, no doubt, will continue until the dairy interest is protected, to a great extent, from bogs butter and cheese manufacturers in the whole country. — *Farmer & Stockman*.

The Coming Pestilence. There is much natural apprehension as to the probable ravages of cholera during the summer season. We doubt if it will amount to much until next year. But it will probably prevail more or less in Europe, north of the Alps and the Pyrenees. Interesting experiments have been made in Spain to see if inoculation by modified cholera germs would not prove a safeguard against Asiatic cholera caught in the usual way. The microbes are annihilated by being passed through animal tissue. Inoculation gives immunity from the contagion for three months, at least so the doctors say. All the symptoms of true cholera are present, but the issue of the induced disease is never fatal. It will be remembered that before vaccination was discovered as a preventative of small pox, that healthy persons were often inoculated with a modified form of that disease. If cholera inoculation is what is claimed for it, then will that dreadful pestilence be robbed of many of its terrors. — *Democrat's Magazine*.

"That girl is made of money!" cried Johnson, pointing to a passing millionaire. "She looks like a maid of forty," answered Simmons. — *Chicago Tribune*.

A popular clergymen in Philadelphia delivered a lecture on "Fools." The ticket to it read: "Lecture on fools—adults only." There was a very large attendance. — *Philadelphia Press*.

A magazine writer says the Indians are increasing in number. This must be an error. Not nearly so many Indians are standing in front of cigar stores to-day as there were twenty years ago. The girl of the period and baseball players have crowded them out. — *Norristown Herald*.

"Johnny, it would be a good thing for you to remember in life that we never get anything in this world unless we ask for it." "Yes, we do, pa!" answered Johnny promptly. "I got a flogging in school to-day, and you can bet I didn't ask for it." — *Vander Statesman*.

Out in the boundless west, when a young fellow gets married, the first thing he receives is a summons from the local band. This generally reconciles him to any sort of treatment, and he settles down in happy afterward. — *Yonkers Statesman*.

"Why do the wicked live?" asked Rev. Dr. Talmage. Sure enough, why do they? Still, I reckon it's because they have to. A careful investigation of all the cemeteries in this great globe would reveal the startling fact that no ground has been set apart for the burial of wicked people, and there's no use in a man's dying until he is pretty sure he can be buried somewhere. — *Bob Burdette*.

A priest who was examining a construction class in the south of Ireland, asked the question: "What is the sacrament of matrimony?" A little girl at the head of the class answered: "A state of torment into which souls enter to prepare them for another, better world." "Good," said the priest, "The answer for purgatory. Put her down," says the curate, "put her down to the feet of the class." "Leave her alone," said the priest, "for any thing you or I know to the contrary, she may be perfectly right."

When the elephant "Romeo" died in Chicago some years ago, his skin was tanned and a large piece hangs over a trunk store on Madison street. Not long ago two bulletins stopped to gaze at it, when one of them exclaimed:

"Why, dear me! It's an elephant's skin!" "Oh, my! Is it possible?" said the other lady; "why, how delightful!"

"Isn't it strange?" continued the first lady. "I wonder where they got it. They don't raise elephants in Chicago. They can't be found in the wilds of Africa, either." "I wonder, where they got it. They don't raise elephants in Chicago. They can't be found in the wilds of Africa, either." "I wonder, where they got it. They don't raise elephants in Chicago. They can't be found in the wilds of Africa, either."

"Oh, dear no!" said the second lady. Elephants shed their skins every year, you know."

Our kissing editor says: "A kiss is a proximal contact between the labial appendages attached to the superior and inferior maxillaries respectively of a man and woman or, two women. The younger the parties are, the more proximal will be the proxiomality, and in case it be observed by the fond father of the proxiomally young lady, there is also likely to be perils between the proxiomally's pedetic junction and the phalangeal extremities of the maxillaries and other brio-a-brac depending from the old gentleman's right eye." The kiss itself is not the proxiomality. It is merely the vibrations of the surrounding atmosphere, resultant from the explosion of sweetness from the pair of lips engaged in creating it." — *Bay City Tribune*.

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Summer Seeding to Grass. The most successful seeding to grass may be done in July and Aug., after the grain crops are taken off. The present season has been a bad one for the seed-sown last fall. The hard winter destroyed the timothy, and the late spring has interfered greatly with the sowing of clover. As a rule, it may be said that summer seeding is more successful than fall and spring seeding, but the ground must be thoroughly prepared. The whole secret lies in this preparation. The following plan has been found excellent. The stubble is well plowed, not more than four inches deep, and immediately harrowed in a thorough manner. There are several new implements which do this work in the best manner, pulverizing the soil, leaving the surface smooth and smoothing it so as to get the land in the most perfect condition for the seed. After all this has been done, and the furrow marks obliterated, the seed is sown and the surface immediately rolled. If this is done in July, nothing more is required. If it is left later, it will be desirable to sow turnips, at the rate of one pound per acre, with grass seed. This affords protection for the young grass and clover in the fall and winter. We have found it a good plan to leave the turnips on the ground and not gather them. They will be killed by the frost and the leaves falling down, furnish protection to the grass during the winter, and in the early spring, when much damage is usually done by the alternate thaws and frosts. This affords protection for the young grass and clover in the fall and winter. We have found it a good plan to leave the turnips on the ground and not gather them. They will be killed by the frost and the leaves falling down, furnish protection to the grass during the winter, and in the early spring, when much damage is usually done by the alternate thaws and frosts. This affords protection for the young grass and clover in the fall and winter. 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## LOCAL ITEMS.

Salling, Hanson & Co's. Price List.

(Corrected Weekly.)

Oats No. 3 white, per bushel, 49 cents.

Buckwheat, per bushel, 32 cents.

Wheat, per ton, \$3.00.

Steak cooked food, per pound, \$3.00.

Flax seed, per bushel, 22 cents.

May flour, roller patent, per barrel, 6.50.

May flour, roller meal, per barrel, 6.00.

Oil, linseed, per barrel, 6.00.

Excelsior, new broken, per barrel, 5.00.

Backsheat flour, per hundred pounds, 1.50.

Mess flour, per bushel, 4.00.

Butter, fresh, per pound, 14.00.

Refined fat, per pound, 10 cents.

Hams, sugar, caned, per pound, 15 cents.

Bacon, ham, per pound, cents.

Cured pork, sides, per pound, cents.

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Yeast, per pound, 7 cents.

Cream, butter, per pound, 7 cents.

Dried Beef, per pound, 14 cents.

Choice Bacon, per pound, 18 cents.

O. G. Java, ground, per pound, 12 to 35 cents.

Mocha, ground, per pound, 15 cents.

Peruvian Coffee, per pound, 25 cents.

Pelican's Aracaba Rio, per pound, 21 cents.

Tass, green, per pound, 10 to 15 cents.

Sugar, refined, per pound, 1 cent.

Sugar, refined, per pound, 7 cents.

Sugar, granulated, per pound, 8 to 12 cents.

Sugar, cut leaf, per pound, 11 cents.

Sugar, white, per gallon, 20 cents.

Potato, s. per bushel, 40 cents.

Bacon, ham, per pound, 2.00.

Beef, per bushel, 1.00.

Syrup, maple, per gallon, 1.00.

N. O. mlasses, per gallon, 85 cents.

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### Advertise in the AVALANCHE.

O. Palmer, is expected home to-day.

### Subscribe for the AVALANCHE.

Strayed away. See advertisement in another column.

### Pay for the AVALANCHE.

Strawberries are plentiful. Only ten cents per quart.

For Buckeye Reaper, or Mower, call on O. Palmer, agent, at this office.

The rink will not be open until Saturday evening.

For a Fanning Mill, best made, call at the AVALANCHE OFFICE.

Save your money by buying your groceries at J. M. Finn's.

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Pure Paris Green, and other Drug Store. Every package warrant ed.

We can furnish the Avalanche and the Michigan Farmer for \$2.75 in advance.

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For a Jackson Wagon, or vehicle of any kind, call on O. Palmer at the AVALANCHE office.

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The best and cheapest Refrigerator in the world, at Traver's Furniture Rooms.

Mrs. Wright, the photographer, is still leaving Grayling about the 15th of July. All persons in want of any work in her line, should call soon.

Those Wheel Cultivators or Spring Tooth Harrows, are just the thing for the farmers of this country. Sold four last week, and one this week, which was purchased by Mr. Lounches, of the township of Grove.

Mr. James Norton, of Rosemond, agent for the American Tea Co., of Detroit, was in our village on Tuesday and will return in four weeks.

The old settlers of Grove Township, will hold their annual Fourth of July Basket Picnic, at Shellonberger's landing, on Saturday July 4th. All are invited and will be cordially welcomed.

Do not fail to read the new prospectus of the AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST, only \$1.65 for the paper and a valuable encyclopedia.

Do not fail to read our offer of the AMERICAN FARMER Free to all of our subscribers who pay their subscription in advance.

Just received a fine lot of Mens, Boys' and Youths clothing at Salling, Hanson & Co's. Call and see them before you buy elsewhere.

One of our prominent citizens left for Fredericville, at six o'clock in the morning. At nine he had not been heard from, and his wife was considerably alarmed. P. S. He returned.

For a Roller-Grain Drill, manufactured by Beckwill & Lee, of Dowagiac, Mich., and the best in the market, call on O. Palmer, agent, this office.

For the Mason Fruit Jars, go to Salling, Hanson & Co. where you will find them at very reasonable prices.

Remember the AVALANCHE office can now furnish you with job work of all sorts, competing with any office in the state for quality of price or work.

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June 25, w3

I commenced training last Saturday morning about 3 o'clock, and kept falling steadily until noon, when it ceased, for the purpose of giving the band of the Tennessee a chance to parade, which was done in fine style. They play well, and have a "drum-major" who can put on as much style or agility as any one connected with the crack band of Northern Michigan. The rain fall was general and little a "long felt want," and will do a great deal of good in this section.

### The Delinicator

For the month of July has been received, and is replete with designs and articles descriptive of fashions for Ladies, Misses and Children; the different kinds of dress goods requisite, and the necessary instructions for making them up, with suggestions as to what is becoming certain ages, as to street, driving-room or kitchen wear. It also gives directions for dress-making at home, which should be practised more than it is. It also devotes considerable space to embroidery, floral designs, good manners and book notices. Price \$1.00 per year. Subscriptions received at this office.

### For Sale or Rent.

A new house and lot conveniently located near the center of the city, well-finished is for sale or rent. Inquire of,

### Public Notice.

Notice is hereby given, that my wife, Julia A. Cameron, has left my bed and board, without just cause or provocation, and I will not pay any bills contracted by her from this date.

June 23, '85. DAVID CAMERON.

### Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Christensen & Rasmussen, in the livery business has been dissolved. All accounts due the firm are to be paid Mr. Rasmussen, who will also pay all claims against the same.

CHRISTENSEN & RASMUSSEN.

### GOING NORTH.

DETROIT, MI. 9:30 A.M. 10:00 A.M.

JACKSON, 7:30 A.M. 8:00 A.M.

BAY CITY, 7:15 A.M. 8:00 A.M.

PINELAND, 8:00 A.M. 8:30 A.M.

ALGER, 8:00 A.M. 8:30 A.M.

GRANGE, 8:00 A.M. 8:30 A.M.

ST. HENRY, 8:00 A.M. 8:30 A.M.

CHESTER, 8:00 A.M. 8:30 A.M.

GRAYLING, 8:00 A.M. 8:30 A.M.

FOREST, 8:00 A.M. 8:30 A.M.

GARDEN, 8:00 A.M.

## NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

The first night spent by Gen. Grant in the mountains was a bad one for the flagrant bravo, and he arose from his couch in the morning in a depressed condition. During the day he walked a few miles around the cottage, put once to the brow or the mountain, returning in an exhausted state. He indicated by signs that he wanted writing paper, and then penned two letters, one to his wife, "Memoranda for Mr. Greeley," the other being addressed to Mr. Douglass. In the former document he stated that he thought he was failing, and gave certain instructions. Dr. Sunds was hurriedly summoned from New York. It is stated that the names of the physicians attending General Grant have been ascertained that, through private contributions, those bills up to the present time have been paid, and that a balance of \$100 remains.

Chamney Depew, of New York, has been elected President of the New York Central Railroad Company, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. James H. Barker.

Lanson & Goodnow, cutlery manufacturers at Stetburn Falls, Mass., are reported insolvent, with liabilities of several hundred thousand dollars.

Twenty-five iron mills in Pittsburgh have resumed operations since the signing of the scale.

Buddeback, the builder of man-traps in New York, has been found guilty of manslaughter.

Dispatches from Mount MacGregor state that Gen. Grant has been greatly improved by his removal to the mountains. The swelling in the neck and the irritation of the throat have decreased, and the General has partially recovered his voice.

WESTERN.

Des Moines, Iowa, dispatch: "Reports sent to the different insurance companies of Des Moines show that the damage by the late storms is heavier than first reported. In Ida, Woodbury, Monona, Corro Gorda, Sac and Greene Counties the loss was heaviest. In and about Sioux City the damage is approximated at \$160,000. In Buena Vista a large number of farm-houses were driven from their foundations. In the western portion of the State, as far south as Pottawattamie County, and for two or three miles north of the county, houses, barns, corrals, fences, and live stock were scattered all over the prairies. The Hawks and State Insurance Companies, of Des Moines, and the Home, of Sioux City, are the heaviest losers in the northern and western parts of the State, and the Pacific and Continental the heaviest in the eastern part. An officer of the Hawkeye Company states that the total loss from both storms fully agrees with \$160,000, of which probably a third is covered by insurance."

The tenth meeting of the American Association of Nurseries, Florists, and Seedsmen was held at Chicago with 250 members in attendance.

The hour production of the Minnesota mills last week was 45,512 barrels, the smallest since the rolling there reached its present proportions.

A magazine at Pueblo, Colo., containing 37,000 pounds of powder, was exploded by a hand grenade at a mark on the floor of the magazine. The rifleman was killed, his companion fatally wounded, and buildings within a radius of two miles more or less injured.

Ex-Senator James W. Nesmith died at Berry, Oregon, in his sixty-first year. His end was peaceful, and death was as if sinking to sleep. He had been in failing health for some time, his mind having become impaired. He achieved national fame as the great Democratic War Senator from 1861 to the close of the rebellion.

Ernest Rebarig, an ex-Mexican war veteran and the oldest member of the Grand Army of the Republic in the United States, died at Vancouver, W. T., aged ninety-one years.

During the year 1884, 8,825 insurance policies were written in Illinois by life and accident companies, the risks aggregating \$22,153,329. The amount paid in premiums was \$24,236,421; losses paid, \$1,569,920.

The Illinois crop report for June shows that the area planted to corn this season is much larger than last season, owing probably to the failure of the wheat crop in many parts of the State. There has been no complaint of insects this season than borers, and the stand of corn is very uneven, owing to the repeated replanting. Without a favorable fall for maturing the crop there will be an unusual amount of damaged corn on the market. The corn has generally been well cultivated, and since the first of June has made very satisfactory growth. The root-worm, which has damaged the crop in many sections of the State, has disappeared or ceased to do any damage since the first of June.

Sam Lawrence and Charles Barry, members of Cole's Circus Company, shot each other fatally in a dispute at Houghton, Mich.

SOUTHERN.

All the gambling houses in Memphis have been closed by the police.

A rain-storm in Dyer and adjacent counties, Tennessee, entailed a loss of over \$100,000.

Seven passengers were injured, one fatally, by the overturning of a stage coach near Abilene, Texas.

On Chincoteague Island, in Virginia, William Pooleman, aged eighteen, shot himself, his wife, and daughter, and then left his bullet. He had been bitten by the daughter.

The operating expenses of the Southern Pacific Railway being in excess of the earnings, a number of general officers of the company have been forced to resign. Since the beginning of the year 2,600 names have been struck from the pay rolls.

Job Barbour and Horace Terrell, both editors, were hanged at Charlottesville, Va., the former for the murder of Daniel Jackson, and the latter for the murder of Mary Foster. Barbour confessed his crime on the scaffold.

George E. Tyers, a convicted white-beater, was publicly whipped by a sheriff at Baltimore.

Link Banks, a desperado, entered James J. Frazier's store at Whitehaven, Ky., and, drawing his revolver, said to Mrs. Frazier that they would settle accounts. Mr. Frazier shot the ruthless bandit. In Knott County, Kentucky, the way between the Hall and Jones families is still rough. Nine men have been killed on both sides during the last few weeks.

WASHINGTON.

The entire force of the Agricultural Department at Washington was discharged without pay from June 29 to July 1, 1865, funds of the bureau being exhausted.

The Treasury Department has decided that lockages of ships through wormholes or sprung staves are not entitled to the benefits allowed in cases of casualty.

In contracting for supplies for the Freedman's Hospital for the next fiscal year the Secretary of the Interior has made a saving of \$1,500 from the prices paid for supplies during the present year.

The Judgment of the Court of Claims in the Pacific Railroad case, for \$1,575,000 in favor of the Government, has been formally entered, the Attorney General having decided to make no further contest over the computation of the earnings of the Kansas Pacific branch. Payments already made and other est-<sup>s</sup>ets will reduce the indebtedness upon this judgment to about \$100,000.

In pursuance of Secretary Manning's economic policy, 300 persons employed as stereoscopes, gauges, etc., in the internal revenue service have been removed since March 30.

The War Department has received a telegram from Capt. Bennett, of the Ninth Cavalry, at Fort Reno, Indian Territory, stating that Lieut. Stevens, of the Ninth Cavalry, has returned from Oklahoma after having thoroughly scouted the country. No bomaers were found in Oklahoma.

The wives of three naval officers having joined their husbands in Japan, who later have been detached from duty for violating an order forbidding naval officers from leaving their wives with them on foreign stations.

### POLITICAL.

The Postmasters at Frederickburg, Va.; Decatur, Iowa; Waukesha, Wis.; Peoria, Ill.; Charlotte, N. C.; Salisbury, N. C.; Concord, N. H.; and Dallas, Texas, were suspended for partisanship, upon proofs.

The Postmaster at Nyack, N. Y., was suspended because he was connected with knowledge of a fraud perpetrated upon the Government while he was Assistant Postmaster.

The Iowa Convention will be held at Des Moines July 7.

The President has appointed William L. Danner to be Collector of Customs for the District of Port Huron, Mich.; Israel Lawton to be Superintendent of the Mint of the United States at San Francisco, Calif.; A. L. King, of Arkansas, to be Receiver of Public Money at Harrison, Ark.; William F. Hoyland to be Collector of Customs for the district of Bismarck, N. C.; and John A. Richardson for the district of Panhandle, N. C. The following postmasters have been appointed by the President:

J. B. Burns at Dayton, Wash.; Henry Hollister, at Johnsbury, Vt.; John J. Kelly, at Duluth, Minn.; John H. Johnson, at St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. George C. Jones, at New Castle, Ind.; Nathan Wall at Kingman, Kan.; J. P. Cook at Kenosha, Wis.; W. S. Swett at Wausau, Wis.; W. H. Miller at Mount Morris, N. Y.; Harry Edgerton, at Upton Springs, N. Y.; H. M. Higginson T. Brown, at Amherst, N. Y.; W. H. McElroy, at Cambridge, Ohio; Vice-W. H. McElroy, at Columbus, Ohio; W. W. Winslow, vice Daniel Sinclair, suspended; J. W. Sturman, at Oscoda, Iowa; W. J. Dickey, suspended; Charles McCreary, at Danville, Va.; and W. H. Goss, suspended; Daniel W. Kimball, at North Manchester, Ind.; Vice-Sheriff Weston, suspended; Ned Dow at Marion, Ind.; and W. H. Goss, at Marion, Ind.; Robert P. Monroe at Rosebud, Montana, vice E. C. Anderson, suspended; Ruren S. Watson, at Laporte, Ind., vice J. S. Stevens, suspended; and W. H. Goss, at Marion, Ind. The Associated Press furnishes the following:—The Postmaster at Bismarck was suspended upon proofs of his political bias. The Postmaster at Waukesha, Wis., was suspended upon proofs of partisanship while in office. The acts of the Postmaster at Waukesha, Wis., as well as Postmasters, and their wives, appear in some cases since as before the election, were considered disloyal and disreputable in politics. In the postoffice the political placards hanging in the postoffice are political placards, and the Postmaster is compelled to remove them. The other party to be there displayed, these placards being sometimes indecent pictures or cartoon sketches. In other cases the Postmasters were shown to have been eminent political agents of their party, and were shown to have been members of their organization, well known in it, such as taking a particular part in the conduct of elections—assessors, often to the head of the party. In several of the cases of political notices, circulars, and newspapers of the opposite political party were shown to have been detained by the Postmaster.

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